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THE UNITED ASBESTOS
ORIENTAL AGENCY.

Sole Agents for the
UNITED ASBESTOS CO.
LIMITED, LONDON.
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.
General Managers.

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THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 8,100,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.
TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
HANKOW. SHANGHAI.
TIENTSIN. NEWCHANG.
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1902. [10]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 10,000,000
Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000
Silver Reserve \$14,750,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:

Hon. R. SHEWAN, Chairman.
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G. Balloch, Esq., C. Michelau, Esq.
Hon. C. W. Dickson, M. Moseley, Esq.
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H. E. Tomkins, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER—
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1902. [13]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per
cent. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [14]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital " 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq., C. Ewins, Esq.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq., J. L. Luts, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %
Hongkong, 19th November, 1902. [15]

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Hankow
Berlin. Calcutta
Tientsin. Tsingtau (Kiautschow)

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be
learned on application. Every description of
Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1902. [16]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.
PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.
F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:
PARIS BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VUEX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business
transacted.
INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 1/2 per annum.
" 6 " 3 1/2 " "
" 12 " 4 1/2 " "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [17]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE
OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies.
CANTON. PEKING.
CHEFOO. PENANG.
CHUNKING. SINGAPORE.
HANKOW. TIENTSIN.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collec-
tion Bills of Exchange drawn on the above
places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Trans-
fers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.
Advances made on approved securities.
Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
1 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
" " " " 6 " "
" " " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1901. [12]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £500,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £500,000

RESERVE FUND £500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.
" " " " 6 " "
" " " " 3 " "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1902. [11]

Hotels.

KING EDWARD HOTEL.

A HIGH CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL.

LADIES' AFTERNOON TEA ROOMS.

PRIVATE BAR
AND
BILLIARD ROOMS.

Rooms specially reserved for Captains
of the Mercantile Marine.

Hot and Cold Water throughout.
Electrically Lighted.

Electric Passenger Elevator to each Floor.
Table D'Hotel at Separate Tables.

For Terms, &c., apply to the
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1902. [116]

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR MARSEILLES,
LONDON and
ANTWERP.

YOKOHAMA. Malacca A. F. Street Noon, 24th Dec. ... Freight or Passage.

SHANGHAI. Chusan C. L. Daniel About 29th Dec. ... Freight or Passage.

LONDON, &c. Paletta W. B. Palmer, R.N.R. Noon, 3rd Jan. ... Freight or Passage.

(See Special Advertisement.)

SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE. (Passing through the Inland Sea).

PASSENGER SEASON 1903.

For MARSEILLES, PLYMOUTH
and LONDON DIRECT "MALTA" 6,064 Tons 28th March, 1903.
WITHOUT TRANSITMENT

For further Particulars apply to
E. A. HEWITT, Sub-Agent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK-SEA AND BALTIC PORTS

ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers
and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.

BAVERN WEDNESDAY, 24th December.

KONIG ALBERT WEDNESDAY, 7th January, 1903.

PRINZESS IRENE WEDNESDAY, 21st January, 1903.

HARMSSTADT WEDNESDAY, 4th February, 1903.

STUTTGART WEDNESDAY, 18th February, 1903.

PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1903.

HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1903.

PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.

SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 15th April, 1903.

KIAUTSCHOU WEDNESDAY, 29th March, 1903.

BAVERN WEDNESDAY, 13th May, 1903.

PRINZ REG. LUTWOLD THURSDAY, 11th June, 1903.

Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
Calling at AMSTERDAM.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of December, 1902, at NOON, the Steamship
"BAVERN" of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Blecker, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at
NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 22nd December, Cargo and
Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 23rd December, and Parcels
will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 23rd December.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [156]

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS!
WEDDING PRESENTS!

A new and splendid assortment of
Fancy Leather Goods, Electro-Plated Ware, Decorative Table Glassware, Pretty
Dessert Services, Meerschaum and Brar Pipes, Gold and Silver Mounted Amber Cigar
Holders.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

A splendid variety of
Mechanical and other Toys, Dolls, Horses and Carts, Rooking Horses, Noah's Arks,
&c. &c. &c.

FRENCH AND ENGLISH CONFECTIONERY,
CARRYBURY'S CHOCOLATES IN FANCY BOXES,
TOM SMITH'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1902. [1326]

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [17]

Johnson's Digestive Tablets.

THE GREAT REMEDY FOR
Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Flatulency and
Acidity of the Stomach.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
Late Dalm, Crawford & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [16]

Intimations.

Bovril is a food-beverage agreeable
to the taste and of remarkable strengthening
and sustaining properties. It is an ideal
nourishment in cases of sickness and weak-
ness, and when from any cause ordinary
food, are not desirable.

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For further Particulars apply to
E. A. HEWITT, Sub-Agent.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [4]

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,
FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON.

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE
BEST QUALITIES OF ASBESTOS GOODS AND PACKINGS, of all kinds.

HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS, of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.....THOMAS SKINNER.

SUPERINTENDENT.....ARCHIBALD RITCHIE.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Managers.

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JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE—43, SAKAMOTO-CHO, TOKYO.

LONDON BRANCH—34, LIME STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG BRANCH—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy,

Shanghai, Chioo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama,

Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maizuru, Kure, Shimonoseki, Moji, Wakamatsu,

Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinotsu, Sagami, Miike, Hakodate, Taipeh, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.C. and A 1 Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Armies and the State

Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and

Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Miike, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and

SOLE AGENTS for Hokoku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Kishima, Mameda, Manbura,

Onnara, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinomiya, Yoshio, Yunokibara and other Coals.

N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong, 563c]

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS.

ASSORTMENT OF
CHOICEST WINES AND
SPIRITS.

CHEAPEST AND BEST IN THE MARKET.

Apply to

H. PRICE & CO.,
12, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 19th November, 1902. [1952c]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

Owing to repairs to our present
premises we have this day removed to
16, Queen's Road; entrance bottom of
Zetland Street.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [123]

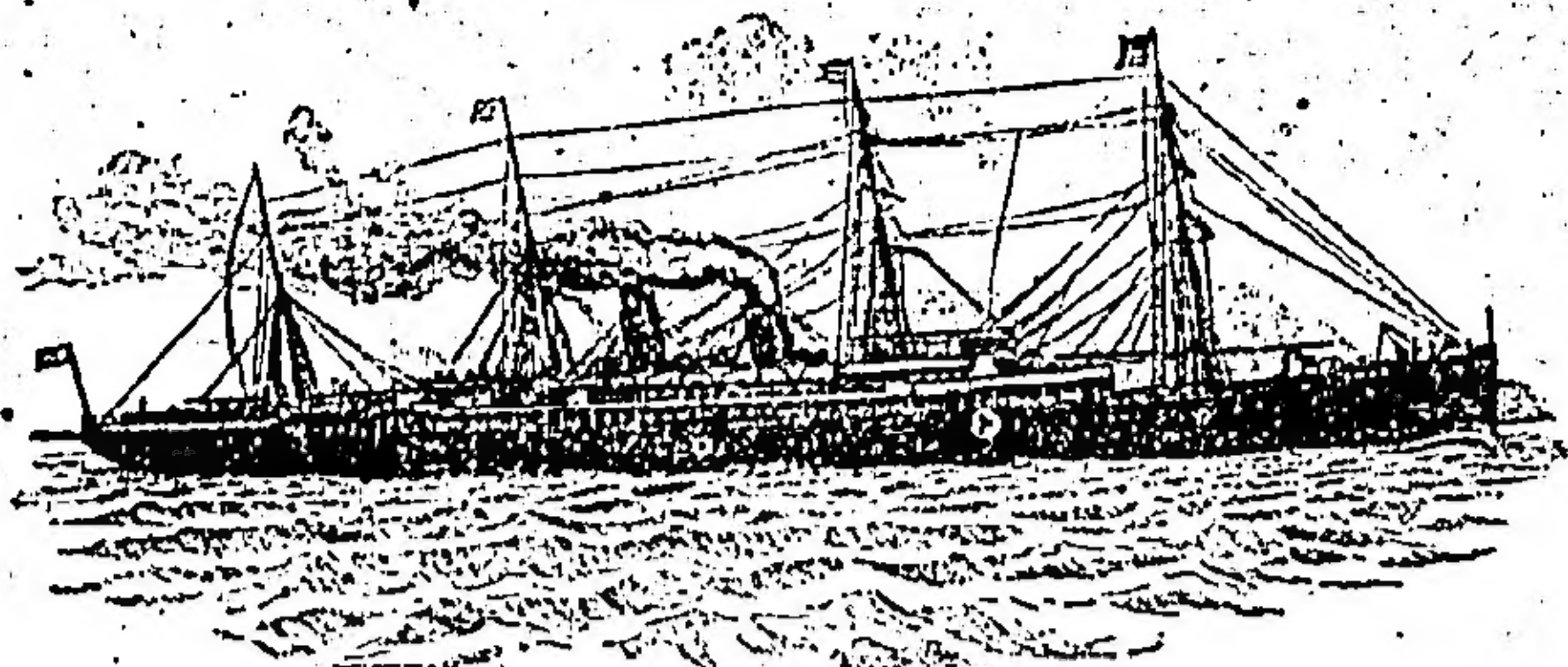
HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1900. [16]

Mails.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"GAELIC".....	TUESDAY, 23rd December, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU".....	WEDNESDAY, 31st December, at Noon.
"SHINA".....	THURSDAY, 8th January, 1903, at Noon.
"JOALIP".....	THURSDAY, 17th January, 1903, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU".....	SATURDAY, 21st January, 1903, at Noon.
"SIBERIA".....	TUESDAY, 3rd February, 1903, at Noon.
"COFFIN".....	TUESDAY, 10th February, 1903, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU".....	TUESDAY, 17th February, 1903, at Noon.
"KUREA".....	FRIDAY, 27th February, 1903, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE O. & O. Company's Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Passengers holding Orders to EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are confined and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1902.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COYS.
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)
"EMPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(Subject to Alteration.)

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN".....	3,882 Tons.....	WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec, 1902.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 14th Jan, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 11th Feb, 1903.
"TARTAR".....	4,425 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 25th Feb, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 11th Mar, 1903.
"ATHENIAN".....	3,882 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF INDIA".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April, 1903.
"TARTAR".....	4,425 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, 1903.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN".....	6,000 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 13th May, 1903.
"ATHENIAN".....	3,882 ".....	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1903.

THE magnificent "EMPRESS" Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS TO A WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1902.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT; BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight.
ADRIA.....	NEW YORK VIA PORTS.	28th Dec, at 5 P.M.	Freight.
ALESIA.....	GENOA AND HAMBURG.	31st Dec.	Freight.
NURNBERG.....	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	13th Jan, 1903.	Freight.
SILESIA.....	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	27th Jan, 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
WURZBURG.....	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG.)	10th Feb, 1903.	Freight and Passengers.
C. FERD. LAEISZ.....	HAVRE AND HAMBURG.	24th Feb, 1903.	Freight.

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
HONGKONG OFFICE,
No. 1, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
MONDAY, the 22nd December, 1902,
at 2.15 P.M.,
at Nos. 20 and 21, MORRISON HILL ROAD,
SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
Comprising—
TEAKWOOD OVERMANTLE with
GLASS IRON BED HEADS, CRESTED
DRAWERS, CHAIR, MARBLE TOP
WASHSTANDS, CROCKERY and GLASS-
WARE, &c., &c.

Also
One ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLE and
ACCESSORIES (by Thurston).
Particulars as per Catalogue.
TERMS—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [1330]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,
on
TUESDAY, the 23rd December, 1902,
at 2 P.M.,
at their

SALES ROOMS, 8, Des Vaux Road Central,
Corner of Ice House Street,
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
JAPANESE CURIOS,
Comprising—

SATSUMA and CLOISONNE VASES
and WALL PLATES, IVORY CARVINGS,
IVORY INLAND LACQUERED PANELS
and SCREENS, OLD BRONZE, TEA
SETS, JARDINIERS, &c., &c.

TERMS—As Usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [131d]

Auctions.

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of the CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED,
will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES
of the Company, 4, Queen's Buildings, Victoria,
in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY,
the 29th day of December, 1902, at 12 N. O., for the
purpose of considering and if thought fit passing
the SUBJOINED SPECIAL RESOLUTION—

RESOLUTION.

That the Company be wound up voluntarily
under the Provisions of the Companies
Ordinances 1865 to 1899, and that the
Honourable Charles Stewart Sharp, Alexander
George Wood, and John Thomas
Martin Wheeley be appointed Liquidators
of the said Company with liberty for each
of them solely to exercise all the powers of
the joint liquidators.
Dated this 13th day of December, 1902.
By Order of the Consulting Committee,
WILLIAM D. JUPP,
Acting Manager.

1360d]

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL
TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGH-
TEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the
above Company will be held at the REGISTERED
OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40,
Queen's Road Central, on TUESDAY, the
30th day of December, 1902, at 3 o'clock in the
afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the General Managers, together with
a Statement of Accounts for the year ending
30th November, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 31st instant,
both Days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1379d]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWELF-
TH ORDINARY ANNUAL GEN-
ERAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL BANK
OF CHINA, LIMITED, will be held at the BANK
PREMISES, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong,
on WEDNESDAY, the 21st January, 1903, at
NOON, for the purposes following, namely:—
To receive and consider Statement of
Accounts and Balance Sheet to 31st Dec,
1902, the Reports of the Directors and
Auditor thereon, to elect Auditors, and
transact the other Ordinary Business of
the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and REGISTER
of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED
from the 8th to the 21st day of January, 1903,
both Days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [1392d]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER
BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that
the Remaining Call of THREE POUNDS
per Share is now called up, and is PAYABLE
at the Company's Office, No. 37, Connaught
Road, on or before January 2nd, 1903.
On Payment, Shareholders will please hand
in their Scripts for endorsement by the Manager.

By Order,
J. W. KEW,
Manager.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [1366d]

THE STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

WORKS—Causeway Bay (adjoining
Kennedy's Stables).
TOWN DEPOT—2, Beaconfield Ar-
cade (Alleyway).

ALL work is done under European super-
vision, and the objectionable prac-
tices, common to Chinese laundries, of
dampening from the mouth and sleeping on
the clothes are not permitted. Collection and
delivery at private residences. Monthly Terms
quoted for Gentlemen. Special terms to fami-
lies on application to—
F. G. ALLEN, Manager.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1902. [1308d]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. Net (600) per Cask ex
Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. Net \$3.75 per Bag ex
Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1902. [1400d]

Antimations.

SANITARY BOARD.

OWNERS of HOUSES situated in the
Western Division of the City of Victoria
who have not had their Premises LIME-
WASHED and CLEANSED in accordance
with Law, are reminded that the period during
which this work should be FINISHED ends
on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1902, and the
Sanitary Board, being convinced of the necessity
of cleanliness in its efforts to stamp out Plague,
is determined to rigorously prosecute any
owner in default after the above named date.
By Order of the Board,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Sanitary Board Office,
Hongkong, 31st December, 1902. [1321d]

NOTE.—The Western Division of the City lies
to the West of Morrison and East Streets.

COMPRADE WANTED.

WANTED COMPRADE for a business
with large possibilities. Security to
amount of Ten to Fifteen Thousand Dollars
required, in Cash or Land Bonds. Address
only in writing, giving full particulars of
amount and character of security as well as
business experience. Applications will be en-
tertained only from those submitting same in
proper form, giving full particulars as above
noted.

"MYSTIC."
C/o The Hongkong Telegraph,
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1370d]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICE and SALES ROOMS of the
Undersigned have been REMOVED to
No. 8, DES VEAUX ROAD CENTRAL,
Corner of Ice House Street.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [1367d]

NOTICE.

OWING to the large increase in the Cost
of Fodder, &c., we are obliged to raise
the PRICE of our MILK to 12 CENTS per
small bottle from 1st January next.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.,
S. A. FETH,
Secretary.

THE HONGKONG DAIRY,
G. W. GREG,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1385d]

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NONOBIKI MINERAL WATER CO.,
KOBE, JAPAN.

AND IMPORTED BY

RITCHIE & Co.,
39, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1902. [1367d]

THOMAS' HOTEL.

No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONGKONG.

THIS HOTEL, having changed hands, has
been re-fitted after the style of a First-
Class Foreign Hotel, with rooms on suite and
single furnished with every regard to perfect
comfort and convenience. The Hotel is in
very close proximity to the principal Banks and
Merchants' Offices.

MODERATE TARIFF.
Fongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1386d]

JUST LANDED.

Per S.S. "EASTERN."

FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER in
prints 90 cents per pound.

Fresh Australian Cheese.

Fresh Australian Smoked Bacon.

H. RUTTONJEE,
No. 5, D'Agular Street,
Hongkong.

No. 39, Elgin Road, Kowloon.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1902. [807d]

DROZ & Co.,
WATCH MANUFACTURERS,
STEAM FACTORY ESTABLISHED 1864.
ST. IMIER, SWITZERLAND.

SPECIALITIES:
LEVER WATCH & CHRONOGRAPHIS.
TRADE MARKS:
MAXIM, BERNA, &c.

REPAIRS OF WATCHES and CLOCKS
by competent European experts at
Moderate Rate.

No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Hongkong, 10th October, 1902. [125d]

LEVY HERMANOS.

DIAMOND MERCHANTS, JEWEL-
LERS and WATCHMAKERS.

EASTMAN'S
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Sole Agents for "OMEGA" WATCHES.
"OMEGA" is the best. "THREE YEARS"
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Hotels.

GO TO THE

KOWLOON HOTEL

R. F. DALY,
Manager.

KOWLOON.

J. W. OSBORNE,
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THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL
OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.

Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to

THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

[1339c]

"BOA VISTA,"
(HOTEL SANITARIUM OF SOUTH CHINA)

MACAO.

THE most select Hotel in the Far-East, beautifully situated, over-looking the sea, and
affords comfortable accommodation for travellers.

The strictest supervision as to food and cleanliness is exercised by a European Manager.

57d] Telegraphic Address: "BOA VISTA."

Antimations.

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that

the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH CO.,

VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT

GAS LIGHT.

ARE SELLING THE ONLY GENUINE MANTLES.

The Price of which has been reduced to

FIFTY CENTS per piece.

BEWARE OF INFERIOR IMITATIONS!

KRUSE & Co.,
CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

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PETER SYS' WONDERFUL SPECIFIC.

THE only remedy at present known as an INFALLIBLE and PERMANENT CURE for
SPRUE, DYSENTRY, DIARRHŒA, HEMORRHOGE and ULCERATION
of the BOWELS.

Recommended by some of the Chief Specialists of the Medical Profession.

Sold retail by all Chemists and Wholesale

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(Proprietors and Sole Manufacturers)

9, Old China Street,
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12th October, 1898.

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WING CHEONG.

DEALERS IN JEWELLERY, PEARLS, DIAMONDS, JADESTONEWARE,
CURIOS, SILKS, CARVED IVORYWARE, AND GRASSCLOTHS,
AND

GENERAL EXPORTERS.

No. 35, Queen's Road Central,

Next Door Messrs. LANE, CRAW

SIR ERNEST SATOW.

While no one will grudge Sir Ernest Satow the six months leave to which he is so thoroughly entitled, his valuable services are still so urgently needed at Peking that his temporary absence will leave a void very difficult to fill up. Succeeding to the post of British Minister at a most critical moment, Sir Ernest quickly got every thread of the diplomatic tangle into his able fingers, and regained for his country much of the influence and political prestige which had been lost. It was feared at the time of his appointment that the esteem in which he held the Japanese, among whom his career had been so eminently successful, might too largely colour his methods at Peking. But it soon became clear that the new Minister took up his post with an entirely unbiased mind. Stored with the most intimate knowledge of Asiatic politics and ideas, he quickly won the goodwill of Chinese officialdom, and having secured that, he next proceeded to show that the silk glove had a lining of very hard steel. The Celestials discovered, as the Siamese discovered long before, when Sir Ernest was Minister at Bangkok, that they had to deal with one thoroughly versed in all the tricks and devices of Oriental statecraft, and in the one case as in the other, this native appreciation of his exceptional attainments produced excellent result. The lesson to be derived from his unvarying success in Siam, Japan, and China is the supreme necessity of choosing for diplomatic employment in the Far East those who have to be studied Asia and her peoples face to face. In no other way can knowledge of Oriental character be secured. The other day, for instance, when Sir Ernest bluntly refused to accept Prince Ching's positive assurance that the murderers of the missionaries had been executed, a new-comer would probably have felt compelled by the prescriptions of diplomatic courtesy to profess belief in the falsehood.—*Globe*.

A RUSSIAN RAILWAY TO PEKIN.

A correspondent of the *Standard* writes:—A somewhat startling piece of information reaches me from an English traveller just returned from Mongolia, who states that a branch railway is under construction, and fast approaching completion, from the Southern, or Manchurian, section of the Siberian Railway, across the Eastern Gobi to the Kalgan Gate of the Great Wall, about one hundred miles North-West of Peking. Of course, it has been known for a long time that the Siberian Railway had been brought down to Port Arthur and Dairen, in preference to its former terminus at Vladivostok; but it is quite a surprise to find that, after all, a still more direct and advantageous short cut to the capital of China has been discovered. The line (which has been actually visited and inspected by the gentleman referred to) pursues a uniform South-Westerly direction, and passes through the extensive plain East of the Khingan range called Yu-ma-chang, or the Imperial horse-pastures. This alignment has been evidently selected because of the flat and easy nature of the ground. It would seem that the project is specially arranged so as to fall within the four corners of the Anglo-Russian Railway Agreement, which give Russia a free hand beyond the Great Wall of China. It will, of course, greatly strengthen Russia's grip of Northern China.

COTTAM & CO., FOR WASHINGTON.

PORT OF LONDON.

THE MAIN OUTLINE OF THE NEW BILL.

The announcement of the Government's intention to legislate next session on the question of the Port of London has been promptly followed by a notice to the effect in the Press in which the main outlines of the coming bill are sketched.

As will be seen, they follow generally the lines laid down in the Royal Commission's report. Briefly, they amount to the following proposals:

- (1) To buy out the London and India Docks Company, the Surrey Commercial Dock Company, and the Millwall Dock Company at a price to be fixed by arbitration, in default of mutual agreement.
- (2) The necessary money to be obtained by the creation of Port stock, the interest which is to be guaranteed by the City of London and the London jointly or separately.
- (3) The functions of the dock companies to be vested in a new body referred to as a Commission, which shall contain representatives of "certain county councils," the City Corporation, the Admiralty, the Board of Trade, the Trinity House, the London Chamber of Commerce, the Governor and directors of the Bank of England, shipowners, wharfingers, and owners of private warehouses, lighters, barges, &c.
- (4) The Commission to take over all the powers of the Thames Conservancy below Teddington Lock.
- (5) The Commission to be the piloting authority for the London district, and to take over the lighting and buying of the port from the Trinity House.
- (6) The work of the Watermen's Company to be transferred to it.
- (7) The Commission to have power to impose registration fees on all lighters and barges in the port—a power which, it will be remembered, the dock companies have sought in vain.

Mr A. E. Cornwall, I.C.C., when questioned on the subject of the Government intentions said they were as much as could be expected from the Government.

The Watermen's Company, one of the bodies to be swallowed up—take the proposals of the Government in a fighting mood.

The London and India Dock Company, on the other hand, are perfectly ready to be absorbed—on reasonable terms.

CHINESE TURKESTAN.

EXTENSION OF RUSSIA'S TELEGRAPH SYSTEM.

Russia is about to devote some attention to Russian trade in Eastern, or Chinese, Turkestan. At least this is the statement made by the *Avosti* which says that, in the interests of Russian trade, the Imperial authorities have decided to extend the existing line of telegraph between Kulja and Ikshehian to Kashgar. Kashgar is the commercial city of Chinese Turkestan, and is 140 miles N.W. of Yarkand, and Kulja, known also as Ili, is the capital of Russian Turkestan, which belonged formerly to China as the south-west portion of Sungaria. There is every reason for believing that Russia has been engaged busily and silently of late in the region referred to, as various "scientific expeditions" have explored that outlying portion of the Chinese Empire, and which is destined to become sooner or later the connecting link between Peking and Tashkent, in Russian Central Asia.

COTTAM & CO., FOR SUMMER.

Intimations.

BEFORE WE CAN

use them, iron and gold must first be got out of the ore. The same principle applies to cod liver oil. Its virtues are not in its fatty matters; much less in its sickening taste and smell. No consumptive, or sufferer from any other wasting disease, was ever greatly benefited by the so-called "plain" cod liver oil. The shock it gives to the nerves, the repulsion and disgust it excites in the stomach, the outrages it commits upon the senses of smell and taste, are enough to spoil any medicinal potency that may be in it for the majority of people. This—to say nothing about its being indigestible. Yet there has always been reason to believe that, among the elements which form cod liver oil, there existed curative properties of the highest value. But it was necessary to separate them from the nauseating waste material with which they were combined. This was successfully accomplished in

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION

and in this effective remedy, made palatable as honey, we have the very heart and soul of Pure Cod Liver Oil, combined with the Comp Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild-Cherry. These constitute a tissue-builder, a blood purifier, a health renewer beyond comparison. Disease yields to it with a completeness and rapidity which astonishes medical men quite as much as it delights their patients. In all wasting conditions, Scrofula and Blood Disorders, La Grippe, Chronic Bronchitis, Pulmonary Affections, etc., it never fails to relieve and cure. Dr. Louis W. Bishop says: "I take pleasure in saying I have found it a most efficient preparation, embodying all of the medicinal properties of a pure cod liver oil in a most palatable form." It stands in the front rank in the march of medicine. No slow or doubtful action. Effective from the first dose. "You cannot be disappointed in it." Sold by chemists here and everywhere and A. S. Watson Co., Limited.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CAINE ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones. Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery. Materials can be supplied, if required. The Superiores will also be most grateful for any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1902.

SAVARESSE'S SANDAL CAPSULES

Not made of Gelatine, a most efficacious, because absolutely pure English Oil. Full Directions. All Chemists. Insist on Savarasse's.

Consignees.



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM-NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship

"VINDOBONA," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1197d]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BALLARAT" FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—From London, &c., ex S.S. *Briantia*. From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 16th instant at 4 P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [1198d]

Consignees.

STEAMSHIP "LAOS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London and Havre ex s.s. *Tigre*, and from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville de Lorient*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 10 A.M., the 16th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at NOON, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 22nd instant, or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1004c]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG," having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after FRIDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1375d]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TAMBA-MARU," having arrived from the above Ports, consignees of general cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, will be subject to rent.

All ship-damaged packages must be left in the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this Office before the 26th instant, or claims in connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1376d]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"CANTON," FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent. Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [14]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "GABRIEL,"

are hereby notified that their Goods are at their risk being discharged into Lighters and/or landed into our Godowns Nos. 1 and 2, at Kennedy Town, (Marine Lot 243), and delivery may be had either from Lighters or from our Godowns upon countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining unclaimed after the 24th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent. Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1]

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SILESIA," Captain Bahle, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY, the 18th instant.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th instant, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office. Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [1368d]

Mails.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
SADO MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 27th Dec., at Daylight.
S. J. G. Parsons.....	YOKOHAMA, KOBE and YOKO.	SATURDAY, 27th Dec., at Noon.
YAWATA MARU.....	HAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, MOI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 30th Dec., at 4 P.M.
SHINANO MARU.....	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE.	THURSDAY, 1st January, at 4 P.M.
KUMANO MARU.....	YOKOHAMA, KOBE and YOKO.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Daylight.
E. W. Haswell.....	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon.
SANUKI MARU.....		
W. Townsend.....		
BOMBAY MARU.....		

* Through Passenger Tickets issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the Option of Travelling by the Sanyo Railway.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager. Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [5]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX;

ALSO PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 29th December, 1902, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TONKIN," Captain Schmitz, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Ville de la Ciotat*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails leaving that Port on the 10th January, 1903, Direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 28th instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1004c]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamers.	Captains.	Tons.	1902-03
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Tremont.....T. W. Garlick.....9,606 Dec. 30

Victoria.....J. Panton.....3,502 Jan. 3

Olympia.....J. Truebridge.....2,837 Jan. 17

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this line to the Pacific Coast and to the Interior and Eastern Cities of the United States and to Europe.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and to the Principal Cities in the United States and Canada.

For further Information as to Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. [874d]

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, DEC. 20, 1902.

HONGKONG AND THE PROBLEM.

One will be fairly safe in predicting that, as long as Hongkong figures on maps of the world as the little speck of red adjoining the extensive dapp of yellow, the Colony will always be struggling with a problem of more or less perplexing solution. The first and foremost is perhaps the difficulty of our observance of the Venice Convention in relation to quarantine. Another, which has happily been overcome by the Kowloon Extension Convention, obtained for us our strategic security. Rejecting the consideration of minor problems, which inevitably crop up from time to time, we are face to face with that relating to the currency. We have already dwelt upon this subject at considerable length, and have given views, principally from the Straits Settlements, as affecting the question from their various standpoints. The paramount importance of the matter, however, makes it so that it can never be discussed *ad nauseum*. This furnishes the ground for us to bring the subject up to public notice again so soon, especially in view of the report that the apparent indifference of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce has been aroused to a sense of immediate action, which is contemplated by the Committee of that commercial body. With the individual or collective views of the members constituting the Committee of the local Chamber we do not at present profess to claim any acquaintance. These will, we hope, be made public, when public opinion is sufficiently ripe to take the matter into its most serious consideration. And that time cannot be long coming. Meanwhile, we have been impelled in the interest of the commercial class, no less than in the interest of those who are seriously affected by the depreciation of silver, to approach such gentlemen as in our opinion are likely to give material for thought and suggestions for profitable action. One of these is a well-known local financier with a vast experience of the trade of China, who is now in conduct of an institution whose interests are altogether bound up in the matter of exchange, and whose opinion accordingly carries no inconsiderable amount of weight in the matter of finance. As one also who has displayed a keen public spirit in matters of common weal, and who has given his opinion in all such affairs with evident judgment and forethought his views, which we are enabled to place before our readers, should be accepted with no small amount of consideration. They should be given due weight. In them is seen the desirability for a change in our currency in order as he puts it, to advance the gold outposts further into the dividing barriers between gold and silver in China. His suggestion that Government should keep well in touch with the progress of the Singapore Currency Committee now sitting in London is one whose merits must surely commend it to our Colonial authorities, and we trust that the hint will be taken, if it has not already been acted upon, in order that Hongkong may benefit at the earliest and most opportune moment by any change which may come as the result of the Committee's inquiry, and prove to the benefit of our sister Colony. Let Singapore's initiative redound to the advantage of Hongkong. From many quarters it is argued that a change in the currency of Hongkong could never be satisfactorily accomplished owing to the many difficulties confronting a fiat of exchange in a colony bordering upon a vast area where the white metal is so freely used. This point was argued at length, and we were assured that no insurmountable difficulties stood in the way of the adoption of a stable currency in Hongkong. Bangkok and Java are already on a gold basis, the Philippines will probably follow suit, and it is very likely that the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States will soon be trading with a gold currency. Consequently it behoves us in Hongkong to look to our monetary system before being called upon to bear the burden of silver, which is sure to be dumped in this Colony, with the natural very serious consequences to trade and commerce. So far as the Chinese are concerned it will be

readily recognised that transactions with the Celestial Empire are already practically on a sterling basis, for, generally speaking, a native conducts his transactions through the medium of a commission agent and takes the risk of exchange paying in silver at a gold rate. Of course, in introducing China into the subject one must not overlook the great question of indemnity which has to be paid on a sterling basis. It is, however, a subject which does not lend itself to the present question at issue, and which, moreover, we have previously dealt with at considerable length. We reiterate the hope that the Government is keeping a very close watch on the question under review and is in touch with the Colonial Office as to the Committee now sitting for the purpose of considering the desirability, or otherwise, of a fiat of exchange for the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States. We cannot remain on a silver basis if those Colonies adopt the gold currency, and especially when it is considered that a sterling standard for Hongkong would be advancing the outposts of gold a little nearer China, to say nothing of the fact that the stability of every merchant would be far greater with a fiat of exchange. The Government ought to take note that whatever action is thought desirable should be done instantly simultaneously with Singapore. If we are to be behind Singapore we may be twopenny down by that time. Here there is even more reason for fiat than for the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States which are to a certain extent, producing districts. There the producer would be adversely affected by the adoption of a gold standard because in the event of a fall in exchange there would be a premium on the export of products. In Hongkong we have no products, but act simply as a half way house between China and London. Everyone who has seriously considered the problem, and especially those largely interested in the commerce of the Colony, should co-operate, as far as in him lay, to bring about a good solution, and the Government, therefore, would have nothing to fear in bringing forward the suggested remedy for the present grave crisis in currency affairs.

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PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.—The following public holidays will be observed in Hongkong, viz.: Christmas and Boxing Days, and January 1st.

NATURALIZATION.—The Ordinance relating to the naturalization of aliens will come into operation on the 1st January next.

SUBSIDIES TO MISSIONS.—Deputy Dubiel in his report on French Foreign Affairs advocates the suppression of subsidies to missions in the East and Far East.

THE REV. W. H. DUNKERLY, M. A., Colonial Chaplain of Singapore, has been appointed by the Bishop of Singapore and Sarawak to be Archdeacon of Singapore in succession to the Ven. John Perham.

EXAMINATION OF INTERPRETERS.—H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following to be members of a Board for the examination of Interpreters:—The Registrar (General Chairman the Inspector of Schools), Mr. F. A. Hazeland and Mr. C. Clementi, secretary.

To the ladies and the picture loving people of Hongkong: You have something coming from me in the way of a Souvenir on my Grand Opening Day. Please give us the pleasure of extending to you a token of our friendship and an introduction of ourselves to you. Very truly, Le Munyon.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.—The following list of members of the Board of Examiners is published in the *Government Gazette*:—The Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G. (Chairman), Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., Hon. A. M. Thomson, Rev. T. W. Pearce, Hon. A. W. Brewin, Mr. J. Dyer Ball, Rev. G. Gussman, Mr. E. A. Irving, (Secretary), Rev. H. R. Wells, Mr. A. Selh and Mr. C. Clementi.

BY KIND PERMISSION of Lt.-Col. Birdwood and officers, the Band of the 10th Bombay Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-day from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

PROGRAMME.
1. March. "The Royal Engineer." B. Bluchet.
2. Quadrille. "S. H. Dineford." Godfrey.
3. Valse. "Dolores." Waldenfel.
4. Section. "The Derby Day." H. J. Barquet.
5. Song. "Dinner Land." F. H. Cowen.
6. Polka. "Toujours Galant." F. H. Cowen.
God Save the King.

MARINE APPOINTMENTS.—The following appointments, with effect from the 1st September last, have been made:—Mr. James Macdonald to Government Marine Surveyor, in succession to Mr. Robert C. Dixon, retired; Mr. W. A. Crake, to be assistant Marine Surveyor, in succession to Mr. James Macdonald, promoted; and Mr. W. Orchar, to be second assistant marine surveyor, in succession to Mr. W. A. Crake, promoted.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE closed to-day for the Christmas holidays.

THE LOCAL POLICE FORCE has been strengthened by the return from home leave of Sergeants Cameron, Sims, MacDonall, Langley, Grant, and Lander.

With kindly greetings I wish to announce to the general public of Hongkong that I shall open my Store at No. 31, Des Vaux Road, on Saturday morning, December 20th.—Le Munyon.

THE SECOND STREET COLLAPSE.—The trial of the contractors in connection with the collapse of buildings in Second Street was continued at the Supreme Court to-day, and adjourned till Monday.

THE COUNCIL MEETING.—The meeting of the Legislative Council for Monday is postponed till Tuesday at the same time owing to the prolongation of the Criminal Sessions, preventing the attendance of the Attorney-General.

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R. E. V. C.—The Royal Engineer Variety Club gave a concert at the Soldiers' Club last evening when an excellent and varied programme was rendered. The entertainment ended up with a laughable sketch in one act, entitled *Chiselling*, performed by Messrs. W. Burgess, H. R. George, F. Varney and E. Jenkins.

CONTRACTOR SUMMONED.—A contractor was summoned this morning by Mr. P. T. Crisp, Inspector of Buildings, for using unburnt bricks, and bad mortar, and for bad bonding in certain walls at 163 and 165 Aram Street. Mr. Harston appeared for the defence, and called Mr. Turner, architect, who said that the bricks, mortar and work were above the average. The case was dismissed.

ROCKS AND SHOALS.—H. M. S. *Rumpler* returned from Chapel Islands yesterday and reports:—Interesting investigation has been made of the rocks between Chapel Island and the Mainland in that vicinity, resulting in the confirmation of the reported rock; lowest water obtained was 2½ fathoms and several shoal spots have been located; in fact, the bottom in these parts has shown itself to be very irregular.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS IN PERIL.—The Christmas cracker has been declared an explosive within the meaning of the Explosives Act. Dublin shopkeepers have been threatened with severe penalties unless they take out licences, and store their deadly bonbons in iron cases in a separate building. Inquiry at Whitehall elicits the fact that in the opinion of the Home Office the inspector is to withhold his rights, though the official policy is not to interfere in cases of such a trifling breach of the law.

BRITISH ENGINES FOR JAPAN.—The Japanese have decided to use British engines on their State railways. Messrs. Dubs and Co. have secured the contract for thirty locomotives in competition with German and American builders. This may be taken as a consolation for the fact that when the New Zealand Government decided upon tenders of a precisely similar nature a few weeks ago the engine-building, was not given to a British firm.

CONSULS WILL INVADE CHINA.—Perhaps not the least interesting result of the conclusion by Sir James Mackay of the treaty with China for the abolition of the Likin dues will be a great increase in the number of British Consuls in the Celestial Empire, and we may therefore expect to see a number of announcements in this connection early next month. As it is also practically certain that other Powers—especially Germany and France—will follow suit, it seems likely that China will be subjected to quite a consular invasion some time in the year 1903.

TRUTH AGAIN.—A clipping from *Truth* reads:—A garrison order in force at Hongkong, dealing with paragraph 1,009 King's Regulations, lays down that "In no case will permission be granted for N.C.O.'s or men to wear plain clothes, unless proceeding beyond British territory." This seems an ingenious plan for nullifying paragraph 1,09. There is little inducement for non-commissioned officers and private soldiers at Hongkong to go on excursions outside British territory; and they have, therefore, little or no opportunity of availing themselves of the privilege of wearing plain clothes.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.—Last evening in the Union Church School Hall, Mr. Brand gave a lecture and demonstration on the above subject. Mr. Braidwood read a description of the apparatus, and what led up to the present attainment, while Mr. Brand, who had prepared the whole, quietly but successfully conducted the illustrative demonstrations. Towards the close clear and emphatic communication was held with H.M.S. *Glory* now moored in the Harbour. Heartly appreciation was expressed at the close. Mr. W. M. Watson presided over an audience which almost filled the large Hall.

I wish to announce to the citizens of Hongkong that I shall be able to take orders, and complete in a workmanlike manner, any half-tones, etching, engraving, collotype, or three-color process job, which might be brought to me, in about sixty days. Have been delayed because my machinery is not here as yet. Le Munyon.

MORE PRESENTS FOR CHRISTMAS

IN HONGKONG SHOPS.

In continuation of our article in yesterday's issue we publish a further instalment of what our representatives have seen in some of the more prominent shops in the Colony.

MESSRS. A CHEE AND CO.
The firm is well known and has earned for itself, by fair dealing, a splendid reputation. It is managed and owned by Chinese and it requires but the smallest power of penetration to observe the motto of the firm is "small profits and quick sales." Messrs. A. Chee and Co. can supply you with all kinds of furniture, electro-plated, glass and China wares, filters, lamps, counterpanes, and, in fact, all household requisites. They also have a first-class photographic department and one of their achievements is, to exhibit and sell nothing except that which is useful.

MR. WING CHEONG.
For pearls, diamonds, jade-stone wares, curios, silks, carved ivoryware and grasscloths go to Wing Cheong's. Grasscloth particularly is a great speciality and this well-known firm takes a particular delight in explaining how the glue is taken from the stiff cane-like weed leaving the beautiful silky material. The ivory also is very interesting illustrating, as it does, the marvellous work of the carvers, who are able to turn their art to the most delicate work. The jewellery is also very cleverly and artistically made, while in other departments the same skill in execution and design is noticeable.

MR. G. GIRAUULT.
For all eatables that are in demand especially at Christmas time Mr. Girault is an admirable caterer. Chocolates, bonbons, crackers and candies are to be had at most moderate prices and no trouble has been spared to make these delicacies as attractive to the eye as to the palate. Besides this Mr. Girault can supply one with other more substantial necessities, to say nothing of a huge collection of toys.

CHEONG SHING.
Cheong Shing's store is opposite that of Messrs. C. J. Gaup and Co. and for curiosities it rivals many a young museum. Precious stones and native workmanship in grasscloth, ivoryware and silk are some of the special features and the premises are well worth a visit.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
The Victoria Dispensary boasts some of the most scientific filtering machines in the Colony and their aerated waters have always been renowned for excellence and purity. In the perfumery line they can supply extractions of the most delightful and varied description, while in all their special departments of business they hold unrivalled success.

MESSRS. A. RITCHIE AND CO.
Mr. Archibald Ritchie, shipchandler, wine and spirit merchant, ship agent, tobacconist and general wholesale and retail dealer, is a well-known merchant in the Colony, for he is to be seen everywhere, especially about the harbour, racing about and filling one order book after another. Almost everything is to be found at his store, and the secret of his success is that he caters for the public, and has such large sales that he can afford to sell the best goods at little more than wholesale prices.

MESSRS. H. RUTONJEE AND COMPANY.
In the crowded neighbourhood of D'Aguiar Street and its surroundings there stands out in great prominence Messrs. H. Ruttonjee's store, which at present is practically piled with good things for this festive season. A representative of this paper was cordially shown over the premises by the genial proprietor, Mr. H. Ruttonjee, and what he saw, completely took the wind out of his sails. At that time the store was simply crowded. One sees here, Raphael Tuck's Xmas and New Year cards, sweets from the factories of Cadbury, and many French firms, groceries of all description, wines of various brands, and of the best quality, and last but not least, Ruttonjee's famous Xmas and New Year cakes, of his own special make, ranging from two to five pounds weight. In a word, in Mr. Ruttonjee's stores, they are up to the mark, and almost anything can be had. These stores both in Hongkong and Kowloon are certainly worth a visit.

G. FALCONER AND COMPANY.
As one of the firms in the Jewellery line, Messrs. G. Falconer and Company, stands unparalleled. In their shop fronts, beautiful and artistic pieces of jewellery are on view, and daily attract the attention of admiring crowds. Their selection of real English jewellery is worth inspecting and one cannot go to a better place to buy suitable presents than at this store. Inside the premises, one is lost with admiration through the thousand and one beautiful things on view. Rings studded with all sorts of valuable gems are to be seen, watches of the best make and quality are on view, necklaces, brooches, scarf pins, studs, links, watch chains, charms, and other useful articles are delightfully displayed. One cannot help admiring them, and this combined with the fact that these things are imported direct from home, and sold at the same price gives one the impression that it is more of a store in Bond Street or in Oxford Street. Truly this respected Company, has retained its reputation as first-class jewellers, and those in quest of jewellery for presents should give the firm a visit.

THE PHARMACY.
This pharmacy, which has recently opened, is really worth inspecting. It is a first-class dispensary, and under European management. Besides the usual medicines, arranged neatly in rows on the shelves, are to be seen, all sorts of perfumery, imported direct from Paris, London and New York. The firm has also prepared for the festive season, and suitable presents in the shape of the best of confectionaries are on view. Cadbury's chocolates, packed in dainty boxes, are displayed, French bon-

bons artistically arranged and neatly tied up, abound in galore; whilst Indian perquisites of every description are to be had.

THE MUTUAL STORE.
This store has recently unpacked their Xmas and New Year goods, and to see them is to buy them. All along the shelves are to be seen the best of everything in the shape of groceries, tinned goods, Australian and Californian hams, fresh butter, fresh raisins, and many requisites for the making of Xmas puddings. Aside from this, there are the usual Xmas presents. This firm has a special store in No. 10 D'Aguiar Street, where only Xmas and seasonal goods are on view. Here almost anything can be had, and we would advise fond parents to go, the place a visit as early as possible, for according to the manager, "we have more than we can do, and since the shop was opened, we have done a roaring trade."

THE HONGKONG STUDIO.
For Christmas photographs and cards of all description go to the Hongkong studio at No. 41, Queen's Road Central. All views of Hongkong, Kowloon and Canton, are offered for sale at very moderate prices. In photography, enlarging, developing, tinting and crayon work, is a speciality. A large assortment of Kodak's and cameras of all descriptions are now in stock.

WAI YUNG.
A call to Wai Yung, photographer at No. 1 D'Aguiar Street will be a pleasure to anyone with an artistic turn of mind. The store is only newly opened and consequently the photographic stock in hand is of the most modern and improved pattern. Views of all description suitable for Christmas presents are on sale.

THE CHINESE OF HONGKONG.

A LOYAL COMMUNITY.

A correspondent kindly forwards the following interesting article which appeared in a recent issue of the *Regiment*:—

Tien Yu Wo Huang (God Bless our King).
There are no more loyal subjects in His Majesty's world wide Empire than the Chinese of Hongkong, and none more ready to respond to any call on their sympathies or patriotism. Hongkong especially subscribed very freely towards memorials of Her late Majesty's Jubilee and Diamond Jubilee, and also contributed the largest Colonial subscription to the National Memorial in London the greater portion coming from the pockets of our Chinese fellow citizen. They came forward with their accustomed liberality to provide funds for the celebration in that Colony of His Majesty's Coronation, and yet were not forgetful of the metropolis of the Empire to which they are proud to belong. To evidence that feeling the *Hongkong Daily Press* and the native paper *Chung Ngai Sin Po*, issued from the same office, displayed outside their windows in Fleet Street on the occasion of the Royal Procession a Chinese Scroll sent from one of the smallest, but by no means least important of the British Dominions beyond the seas. This decoration, which was brought to England by the Coronation contingent of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, and was intended to be displayed last June shows in green on a crimson field the Chinese characters "Tien Yu Wo Huang, meaning "God Bless our King."

THE "HANSA" ADRIET.

D. MAG'S TWO CHINA MERCHANTS STEAMERS

The German cruiser *Hansa* during the high wind on the night of the 14th inst. broke away from her moorings in the river opposite the French Bund at Shanghai, and got adrift, fouling two of the China Merchants steamers lying at Kin-lee-yuen, smashing up the German mail boat, which afterwards sank. Fortunately she was not greatly damaged herself, but the steamers she collided with are rather badly injured. The cruiser was taken down the next day to the Lower Reach where she can do no further damage and safely moored off the Yangtze-poo Creek.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE.

Canadian (*Athenian*) to-morrow.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 22nd inst.
German (*Bayern*) 23rd inst.
German (*Princess Irene*) 24th inst.
Indian (*Catherine Ahear*) 24th inst.
American (*Hongkong Maru*) 24th inst.
American (*China*) 31st inst.
American (*Doric*) 8th prox.

The Silk ex Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of India* arrived in New York on the 19th inst.

The C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Hyson* left Moji yesterday, the 19th inst., for this port and is due here on 23rd inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Ulysses* left Shanghai yesterday, the 19th inst., for this port via Amoy and is due here on 23rd inst.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at 4 a.m., this morning, and left at midnight same day, for Nagasaki, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m., on Monday, the 22nd inst.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 19th inst., and leaves again at 3 p.m., same day, for Shanghai where she is due to arrive at 4 a.m., on Sunday, the 21st inst.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Princess Irene* carrying the German Mail with dates from Berlin of the 15th ult., has left Singapore yesterday, the 19th inst., at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 24th inst., at daylight.

ASK for ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

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TELEGRAMS.

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Kiautschou.

THE 1903 ETAT.

ENORMOUS EXPENDITURE.

BERLIN, 19th December, 1902, 7:55 p.m.

The Etat for Kiautschou pro 1903 is reported as follows:

RECEIPTS:	Mk:
From Kiautschou	455,000
Government	12,421,000

EXPENDITURE:	Mk:
Recurrent Expenses:	
Civil Government	966,664
Military	2,441,755
Joint payments	1,936,897

M: 5,345,516

Non-recurrent Expenses:

Harbour Constructions 2,999,000

Mining, etc. 1,934,000

Houses, Godowns, etc. 200,000

Training of streams and afforestation 106,000

Defence

Lighthouses, buoys, etc. 40,000

Floating Dock, Workshops, etc. } ... 1,500,000

Reserve

M: 12,876,000 12,876,000

(Ruler's.)

Venezuela.

LONDON, 19th December 18th.

It is announced at Washington that America will not resist a blockade of Venezuelan ports if the Powers enforcing the blockade recognize a state of war.

Mr. Bowen, United States Minister at Caracas, has, owing to pressure of work, instructed Admiral Dewey to send a competent officer to Caracas to act as assistant U. S. Minister, the officer selected to leave with the destroyer which is to serve as a despatch boat in the event of the cables being cut.

LATER.

The King's Speech.

The King's speech in proroguing parliament mentions the agreement between Great Britain and Japan, whereby the two governments have bound themselves to assist one another in certain eventualities for the defence of their respective interests. It believes that the agreement will be to the advantage of both nations, and that it will contribute to the maintenance of peace in the East.

The commercial treaty with China, it says, promises to secure, not only to Great Britain, but to the commerce of the World, valuable facilities and advantages.

The treaty contains some provisions of great value, which, unlike other treaties with China, does not require the assent of other powers.

(Manila Cable News.)

The Pacific Cable.

FROM USA TO THE PHILIPPINES.

NEW YORK, December 13th.

The laying of the Pacific cable from the United States to the Philippines commenced yesterday. All arrangements have been made to push the work to rapid completion, and here is no doubt but that Manila can communicate direct with the United States on July 4, 1903, if not sooner. July 4 is the date set by the company as the latest for making the connection, but it is anticipated that the work will be completed some days previous to this.

CHINESE TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL.

The following Imperial Decree, dated 12th December, has been specially translated for the North China Daily News, and should be of interest to most of our readers:

The telegraph services in the various countries of the world are all administered and controlled by the Government, hence whenever important business of State regarding either the army or civil administration, has to be transmitted by telegraph, to and fro, perfect secrecy can be maintained as well as promptitude and haste. In China, however, the telegraph service was begun as a commercial undertaking, whereby much inconvenience and obstruction have been experienced by the Government. It is therefore of urgent necessity for the Government to acquire the whole of the said telegraph service in order to safeguard the interests of the State. Yuan Shih-kai and Chang Chih-tung (Viceroy of Chihli and acting Viceroy of the Liangkiang provinces) are hereby commanded to proceed with all haste in drawing up an estimate of the value of the telegraph wires (sic) throughout the Empire, and having done so they shall present to us a joint memorial asking for permission to raise the necessary funds to pay back the shareholders of the said telegraph service for their shares in the said Company and so acquire their property throughout the country. This having been done, the Throne will appoint a suitable officer of high rank to take charge of the whole concern, working carefully and diligently in the interests of the State.

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THE JANET WALDORF COMPANY.

"FACING THE MUSIC."

Ever since the arrival of this Company in Hongkong theatre-goers have been warm in the praises, whether of dramas or comedies. Last night, the company presented before the Hongkong public the farcical comedy of *Facing the Music*, and those who witnessed the play were convulsed with laughter from the rise to the fall of the curtain. There are farces and farces, and although travelling companies try their best at times to amuse the public, and often fail to arrive at a satisfactory point, yet this cannot be said of the Janet Waldorf Company. What they undertake to do, they do well, and last evening's performance amply demonstrated that this Company is quite at home both in comedies and dramas. *Facing the Music* has all the essential points of a successful farcical comedy, and as the piece progresses, the humorous situations grow more and more pronounced. The plot concerns the troubles of two personages both with the high sounding appellations of John Smith, who happen to take adjoining flats. One Mr. Smith has sent his better half away on a visit, while the other, the Rev. John Smith, is expecting his wife to join him. Eventually, the Rev. Mrs. Smith arrives, on a very foggy night, while her husband is away, and through some error, is shown into the wrong flat by the new house keeper of Mr. John Smith who has never seen the Rev. Mrs. Smith before, and comes to the conclusion that this lady is the wife of her employer. At the same time plain John Smith on that same night has had an adventure with a lady in the fog, whom he assisted under the impression that she was in distress. Whilst engaged on his noble act, he is suddenly set upon by a gang of rogues, who relieve him of all his valuables. On his return to the flat he is informed by his friend Desmond, who is awaiting him, that his wife has returned. Hearing the voice of the Rev. Mrs. Smith, he arrives at the conclusion that she was the lady recently in distress, and had called to give to Rev. Mr. Smith, a pocket book lost by the other Mr. Smith, at the same time thanking the wife of her supposed deliverer for his timely assistance. Suddenly plain Mrs. John Smith appears on the scene, and the complications grow worse. A detective, in the mean time has been engaged in connection with the affair in the fog. He pursues his inquiries and eventually makes matters worse, and puts an additional ludicrous aspect on the situation, by stating that in the Rev. John Smith, otherwise known as "Saintly Sam," a notorious criminal, is badly wanted at Scotland Yard. In the wife, he recognizes an adventuress of the deepest dye, known as the Duchess of Liscadilly. At any rate, everything comes out satisfactory in the end, not before Mr. John Smith had under various deceptions disentangled himself from the web which he had created. Mr. Norval McGregor, as the plain John Smith made a decided hit, and kept the house in roars of laughter from his adventure in the fog to the time when he retrieved himself. There was in him that dash of individuality which made the piece go with a swing. The other Mr. John Smith, whose calling was that of the Church, was ably portrayed by Mr. Wilson Forbes, and theatre-goers know well the capabilities of this talented actor. Miss Janet Waldorf, as *Mabel*, the Curate's wife did her part well, and although her histrionic talents lean more toward dramas, yet she sustained her part to perfection and, aided by the element of mock tragedy, imparted to the play just a tinge to make the farce a success. *Dick Desmond*, as taken by Mr. William Fitchett, was ably portrayed, whilst Miss Mildred Yorke, as *Miss Farthingay* of the Bijou Theatre and Miss Amy Stanley as the wife of the plain Mr. John Smith, did their parts to perfection. Mention must be made of Mr. St. Clare Bayfield as *Col. Duncan Smith*, Mr. Jean de Lacy as *Sergeant Duffell* and Miss Edith Hay as *Mrs. Pouting* all of which were well done.

To-night *Facing the Music* will be repeated, and this will be the last appearance of the Company during the present season. After visiting Canton, the Co. will return to Hongkong and will resume the season on Boxing Night with a special holiday bill.

NAVAL NOTES.

H.M.S. *Waterwitch* returned from a cruise this morning.

H.M.S. *Rambler* arrived from Chapel Island this morning.

Commercial.

TODAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

BANKS are stronger; again sales have been made at \$62.50, but there are no sellers.

There are continual inquiries for HONGKONG LANDS, and sales have been effected at \$86.

CHINA SUGARS are firm with buyers at \$85.

WHAMPOA DOCKS are weaker, and have changed hands at \$110. Small sales have been made of MANILA INVESTMENTS at \$14.75.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIPS are slightly lower with sellers at \$11.50. CHINA & MANILA are offering at \$25. Small sales have been made of HUMPHREYS ESTATES at \$12. STAR FERRIES are wanted at \$20 and \$13, with sales at these rates. A limited business has been done in INDIA CHIN'S at \$84 and \$45, and a small parcel changed hands at the latter rate. SHELL TRANSPORT and TRADING CO.'s are very quiet at \$1.12 1/2 sellers, but with no response from buyers. RAUBS show buyers at \$6. RICE shares are almost entirely neglected, and the quotations are purely nominal.

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EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer 1/7
Bank Bills, on demand 1/7 1/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/7 9/16
Dinara, 4 months' sight 1/7 9/16
ON BERLIN, (demand) M. 1.62
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand 1/99
Credits, 4 months' sight 2/31
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 38 3/4
Credits, 30 days' sight 39 1/4
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 118 1/2
On demand 118 1/2
Private 30 days' sight nom.
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 30 1/2 prem.
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate \$12.55
Gold Leaf, 100 touch, per tael 65
Bar Silver 22 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows: Per chest.

MALWA NEW @ \$1,020/1,030

OLD @ 1,075/1,090

PATNA NEW @ 98 1/2

OLD @ 97 1/2

BENARES NEW @ 98 1/2

PERSIAN (PAPER) @ 75 1/2

WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

December 20th.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. have reported upon another quiet week, during which transactions have been small and in nearly every instance, at declining rates. The Rates of Exchange on Shanghai close at Tls. 7 1/2 for a T/T, and Tls. 7 1/2 to Tls. 7 1/2 for a three days' sight Private Bill.

continue in demand at \$463, but no shares seem to be obtainable unless at an advance of \$5; this Company has issued a circular to shareholders, informing them that a call of \$50 per share has been made, payable on 30th instant, and that an interim dividend of \$50 per share has been declared out of the Society's Exchange fluctuation account, payable on 31st instant, and further that it has been resolved that the call be deducted from the interim dividend, so that actually no money changes hands. New share certificates have been ordered from London, and when these have arrived, shareholders will be notified and asked to send in their old scrip (\$50 paid) to be exchanged for a new scrip of \$100 paid up.

on receipt of news from Shanghai that the rate there had dropped to Tls. 6 1/2, receded to \$85 sellers, but a reaction set in, and shares sold at \$85 and \$86, but \$85 and \$86 has been accepted since and there are probable sellers now at \$84; a sale at \$87 for 28th February is also reported.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts in their report, dated 19th December, state:—

Business generally continues dull and the transactions that have taken place have been on a very limited scale.

The China-Borneo Company, Limited, has given notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held on the 29th instant for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing a resolution to voluntarily wind up the Company.

The Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Limited, has advertised its Eighteenth Ordinary General Meeting for the 30th December. The transfer books will be closed from the 23rd to 31st instant, both days inclusive.

The Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited, notifies that the remaining Call of \$3 per share is now called up and is payable on or before the 2nd January, 1903.

The Maatschappij tot Mijnt, Bosch-en Landbouweexploitatie in Langkat has declared an Interim Dividend of Tls. 2.50 per share payable in Shanghai on the 29th instant.

The Seventh Annual Meeting of shareholders in the Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, is announced for to-day.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have still further improved and business has been done at advancing rates up to \$66 1/2 at which figure, more shares are wanted. The London rate is unchanged at £62. Nationals remain neglected at quotation.

Marine Insurances.—Unions continue in demand at \$460. China Traders are offering at \$58 and Cantons at \$167 1/2. A parcel of North Chinas has been disposed of at Tls. 17 1/2 and shares can still be placed at this price. Yangtzes have inquiries at \$133.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires remain quiet at \$345. China Fires have sales at \$84 1/2.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have further depreciated and shares are in the market at \$36. Indo-Chinas have been negotiated at \$86 and are now obtainable at \$85. China and Manilas are without business and there is no alteration in the rate. Douglas Steamships have declined and are to be had at \$114. Star Ferries have again been sold at \$23 for the old issue and close in further request; the new shares are wanted at \$13. Shell Transports have changed hands at £12 1/2.

Refineries.—China Sugars are firmer and there are inquiries at \$85. Luzons are procurable at \$12 1/2.

Mining.—Punjoms have been purchased at \$24, and are now required for at \$24. Raubs are wanted at \$6, after sales at this figure. Chinese Engineerings have hardened, and business has been done at Tls. 8.20.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have weakened and are offering at \$212 1/2. Farrahams have also declined and there are sellers at Tls. 185. Kowloon Wharfs can be procured at \$88.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands are steady, and can be placed at \$183. Hongkong Hotels are a little quiet at \$14. West Points are wanted at \$57. Humphreys Estates are on offer at \$12, and China Providents have found investors at \$85.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos have fallen to Tls. 40 and are offering. Other stocks are unchanged.

Cigar Companies.—We have heard of no business in stocks under this head.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements have been fixed at \$20 1/2, and can still be obtained at the latter price. A. S. Watsons have changed hands at \$144. Electrics (old issue) are in demand at \$13.50; the new shares have been booked at \$6.65, and more are obtainable. Sales of Ropes have been effected at \$120. Lankats have dropped to Tls. 155 at which rate shares are to be had.

TORTUOUSLY MARKET REPORT.

Cotton.—Market ruled in the same state as last reported, and sales of best Bengal are reported of about 350 bales at \$24 to \$25 per p.cul. The unsold stock is estimated at about 1,700 bales. Chinese cotton about 300 packages were sold at \$4 per picul.

Yarn.—Market ruled steady and a slight improvement in prices is to be seen in No. 20s. Sales are reported of about 6,000 bales. The unsold stock is about 17,000.

Malwa Opium.—Market during the fortnight ruled weak, and sales of New only 2 chests at \$1,020, and Old about 19 chests at \$1,075 to \$1,090 are reported. The unsold stock is about 800 chests.

Bengal Opium.—Patna New about 370 chests, Old at \$98 1/2 to \$99 1/2, Old about 26 chests at \$1,000 to \$1,010, Benares New about 90 chests \$950 to \$995 changed hands. The unsold stock is about 1,200 chests.

Persian Opium.—Sales of about 110 chests p.cul were made at \$750. The stock is about 2,000 chests.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Ivory \$200 to \$900

Olibanum \$10 to \$18

Borax 19

Saltpetre 11 to 12

Vitriol (Blue) 20

Senna Leaves 3 to 5

Vermillion 91

Cloves 23 to 27

Cassia 23

Camphor 134

YARN MARKET REPORT.

Messrs. Cawasjee, Pallanjee & Co. in their report dated 19th December, state:—

Since the issue of our last circular dated the 5th instant, our Yarn Market during the first part of the fortnight remained in the same state as last reported and a small business transpired in selected threads only for immediate requirements. Latterly a speculative demand sprang up and the importers met the wishes of the dealers and a good amount changed hands at previous prices and in some instances a trifle better. The business was restricted to No. 10s and 20s; other counts are not much inquired for. The market closes steady, and we do not anticipate any improvement before the Chinese New Year. Sales during the fortnight consist of about 120 bales of No. 8s, 2,285 bales of No. 10s, 400 bales of No. 12s, 240 bales of No. 16s, and 2,980 bales of No. 20s, in all about 6,005 bales. Arrivals during the fortnight per steamers *Valletta*, *Copri*, *Lightning*, and *Kumrang* come to about 6,000 bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the Northern Ports about 3,000 bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 17,000 bales.

Local Production.—Sales of about 300 bales of No. 10s at \$97, and 150 bales of No. 12s at \$99 are reported in the market.

Japanese Yarn.—About 450 bales of No. 20s changed hands at \$125 1/2 to \$126 per bale.

Exchange.—Exchange at first showed some signs of improvement, and rate on India advanced as high as Rs. 12 1/2, and on the very following day it again dropped to Rs. 12 1/2, and is quoted to-day at Rs. 11 1/2 1/2.

To-day's Advertisements.

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THE Company's Steamship

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [1401d]

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Captain W. B. Palmer, R.N.R., carrying 111 Males, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with Transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 5 p.m. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

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MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 31st December.
"	"PROMETHEUS"	On 8th January.
"	"PROMETHEUS"	On 14th "
"	"DIOMED"	On 28th "

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"ULYSSES"	On 23rd December.
LONDON	"PELEUS"	On 6th January.
LONDON	"AKTOR"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM and LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 3rd February.
LIVERPOOL	"PROMETHEUS"	On 17th February.
(Taking Cargo at London Rates)	"TYDEUS"	On 20th January.
	"DARDANUS"	On 20th February.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1902.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	23rd December.
"	"PAKING"	22nd January.
"	"CHINGWO"	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON and	"TEENKAI"	21st December.
ANTWERP	"HYSON"	23rd December.
NAPLES, LEGHORN and LONDON	"OOPACK"	16th January.
MARSEILLES, AMSTERDAM and		
ANTWERP		

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VANCOUVER, and all PACIFIC COAST	"NINGCHOW"	25th December.
POINTS via NAGASAKI, KOBE and		
YOKOHAMA		

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Hongkong, 18th December, 1902.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI, SAMARANG and SOURABAYA	"KWEIYANG"	22nd December.
SHANGHAI	"YUN AN"	23rd "
SHANGHAI	"KANS"	27th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY IS.,	"CHINGTU"	29th "
COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS-		
VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and		
MELBOURNE		

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STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Dates.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	24th Dec., at Noon.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty	Do.	"
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	"
DIAMANTE	1980	A. H. Notley	"	"

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GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1902.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG VIA MOJI, KOBE
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PORTLAND OREGON

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

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Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	W. E. Craven	Jan. 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	"
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	R. P. Craven	"

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations.	Steamers.	Captains.	Sailing Dates.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 21st December.
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	WEDNESDAY, 24th December.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	SUNDAY, 28th December.
FOR FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	WEDNESDAY, 31st December.
	VIA SWATOW and AMOY.		Subject to alteration.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.
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Captain Bahle, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at Daylight.

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [1387d]

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COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"KUMSANG,"
Captain E. J. Butler, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 23rd instant, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1373d]

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THE Company's Steamship

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Agents.Prinsep's Buildings,
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ROSALIA (MEXICO).

THE Steamship

"VICTORIA,"
Captain Casey, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SUNDAY, the 28th instant.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1381d]

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Superior accommodation amidships. Electric
Light throughout. Fitted with Refrigerators
which ensure a fresh supply of ice and
provisions during the entire voyage. Duly
qualified European Surgeons carried.BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY,"
Captain E. J. Stirling, will be despatched as
above on MONDAY, the 5th January, 1903.

For Freight, apply to

MCCREOR BROS. & GOW,
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [1374d]EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, and
QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through
Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,
TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 9th January,
1903, at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for
Passenger, and has a Refrigerating Chamber,
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions,
Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.This Steamer is installed throughout with the
Electric-light.A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon
are carried.N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of
passengers, the steamers of the Company have
electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [1363d]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CROYDON About 27th Dec. || "MOCUL" | " 6th Jan. |
| "HINDUSTAN" | " 15th Jan. |
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For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED,
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"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

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"BENLOMOND,"
Captain Stilton, will be despatched as above
on or about the 1st January, 1903.

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Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept Fire,
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CURRENT RATES.SIEMSEN & Co.,
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Intimations.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

TRADE MARK

THERAPION No. 1

This successful and highly popular remedy, used in the
Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Rostan, Jobert, Velpeau
and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a
medicine of the kind and surpasses everything hitherto
employed.

THERAPION No. 2

This is a powerful purgative, which removes all the
impurities of the blood, purifies the system, and
restores the natural functions of the organs. It is
indicated in all cases of constipation, indigestion,
biliousness, and all diseases of the liver and
gall-bladder. It is also a powerful remedy for
rheumatism, neuralgia, and all other cases of
nerve pain.

THERAPION No. 3

This is a powerful tonic, which restores the
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INCLUDING:—

BATTERIES,

Post Office.

A Mail will close—

For Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per *Dalgin* Maru, to-morrow, the 21st instant, at 9 A.M.
 For Canton—Per *Tai-lee*, to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Haiphong—Per *Haiphong*, to-morrow, the 21st instant, at 9 A.M.
 For Canton—Per *Powan*, to-morrow, the 21st instant, at 9 A.M.
 For Canton—Per *Honam*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 7 30 A.M.
 For Macao—Per *Huanshan*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 1 15 P.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Anping*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 2 P.M.
 For Nantau—Per *Tai-lee*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Amoy, Samarang and Sourabaya—Per *Kwaiying*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Kuching and Samshui—Per *Tung-kong*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Canton—Per *Tai-lee*, on Monday, the 22nd instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per *Kunshing*, on Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at 10 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per *Gaelic*, on Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Yunnan*, on Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at 10 A.M.
 For Manila—Per *Ro-ett*, on Wednesday, the 24th instant, at 10 A.M.
 For Singapore—Per *India*, on Wednesday, the 24th instant, at 10 A.M.
 For Yokohama and Kobe—Per *Silesia*, on Wednesday, the 24th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Shanghai—Per *Yunnan*, on Saturday, the 27th instant, at 4 P.M.
 For Europe, India, via Tutuorin—Per *Tai-lee*, on Monday, the 29th instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per *China*, on Monday, the 29th instant, at 3 P.M.
 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Athenia*, on Wednesday, the 31st instant, at 11 A.M.
 For Europe, India, via Tutuorin—Per *Valetta*, on Saturday, the 3rd Jan., at 11 A.M.
 For Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Vancouver—Per *Empress of China*, on Wednesday, the 14th Jan., at 11 A.M.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

December 19th, 1902, a.m.

Whitlivestock	7 a.m.	30.35	13	68	—	0	c
Nemuro	5	30.00	—	—	NE	2	—
Hakodate	11	30.00	—	—	W	4	—
Kokoi	11	30.03	—	—	NW	4	—
Nagasaki	11	30.03	—	—	NW	2	—
Kagoshima	11	30.10	—	—	N	4	—
Oshima	11	30.15	—	—	N	4	—
Naha	11	30.00	—	—	S	2	—
Shikoku	11	30.00	—	—	S	2	—
Taihu	11	30.11	—	—	—	—	—
Taihu	11	30.11	—	—	—	—	—
Tainan	11	30.09	—	—	N	4	—
Koshun	11	30.06	—	—	NW	2	—
Pescadore	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Gutai	9 a.m.	30.45	—	—	NNW	5	lv
Sharp Peak	11	30.29	57	84	NNW	3	0
Amoy	6.30 a.m.	30.13	61	88	NE	3	0
Swatow	9 a.m.	30.11	—	—	NE	3	0
Canton	10 a.m.	30.22	63	75	NW	1	0
Hongkong	10 a.m.	30.22	63	75	NW	1	0
Victoria Peak	11	30.18	—	—	NE	3	0
Gap Rock	11	30.18	—	—	N	4	—
Macao	11	30.23	64	—	NNW	2	0
Haiphong	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Malate	9 a.m.	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Bacolod	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
Cebu	11	30.00	—	—	—	—	—
C. St. James	10 a.m.	30.00	—	—	—	—	—

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Friday, December 19th, 1902.
At two cents per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	16
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yau	10
" Roast—Shiu	12
" Soup—Tong Yuk	12
" Steak—Ngau Yau	12
" Sausages—Ngau Yau	15
Bullock's brains—Know	15
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Yau	45
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li	50
" Head—Ngau Yau	12
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" Hump—Salt—Ngau Yau	12
" Feet—Ngau Yau	12
" Kidneys—Ngau Yau	12
" Tail—Ngau Yau	12
" Liver—Ngau Yau	12
" Tripe—Ngau Yau	12
Calves' head and feet—Ngau Yau	12
Mutton chop—Yeung Pak Kwai	25
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